

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116 EXPEDITED PROSECUTION - GROUP ART UNIT 2823

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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
		:	Examiner: Julio J. Maldonado
TAKAHIRO YAJIMA ET AL.)	
		:	Group Art Unit: 2823
Application No.: 09/900,043)	
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Filed: July 9, 2001)	
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For:	THIN FILM FORMATION)	
	METHOD	:	March 11, 2004

Mail Stop: AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

a) <u>Introductory Comments</u>

In response to the final Office Action dated December 16, 2003, kindly amend the subject application as follows: